

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES PROBATION DEPARTMENT

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April 4, 2011

TO:

Each Supervisor

FROM:

Donald H. Blevins Chief Probation Officer

SUBJECT:

ESCAPE FROM CAMP ROCKEY

This is to advise your Board that minor Joe M., age 16 and Alex L., age 16 escaped from Camp Rockey. Preliminary information indicates that the minors were discovered missing April 4th during the 6:00 am shift change. The minors left the facility by breaking the front door window of school classroom #3, and then breaking out 2 small windows secured by a security screen, which lead to the outside of the facility. Upon searching the exterior of the facility, freshly trampled grass was found near the camp's water tank, and on a trail in the immediate area that led down a steep hill.

Notifications were made to the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (LASD) at approximately 6:30 am. The Department's Special Enforcement Operation (SEO) unit was also contacted, and they are continuing to investigate the whereabouts of the minors in the community.

Minor Joe M. was ordered to camp on January 18, 2011 for a 6-month program for violation of Penal Code Section 594.2(A) (Vandalism). He was placed in Camp Rockey on January 31, 2011.

Minor Alex L. was ordered to camp on January 12, 2011 for a 6-month program for violation of Penal Code Section 12020(A) (4) Possession of Dirk/Dagger. He was placed in Camp Rockey on January 19, 2011.

I will apprise the Board with more information as it becomes available.

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c: William T Fujioka, Chief Executive Officer Honorable Michael Nash, Presiding Judge of the Juvenile Court Sachi A. Hamai, Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors Andrea Ordin, County Counsel Brence Culp, Chief Deputy, CEO Jacqueline A. White, Deputy Chief Executive Officer Justice Deputies Toni Gardner, Representative, Correctional Standards Authority